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SUBJ: 29TH GA: SECOND COMMITTEE, ITEM 12, ECOSOC

REPORT: ROLE OF WOMEN IN DEVELOPMENT

1. USUN TRANSMITS BELOW THE TEXT OF DRAFT RES ON WOMEN IN DEVELOPMENT. THE DRAFT EMANATES FROM SENATOR PERCY'S STAFF OFFICE. USUN UNDERSTANDS THAT SENATOR PERCY'S STAFF HAS DISCUSSED THE DRAFT WITH MR. RICHARD SPRINGER AND MISS SHIRLEY NENDSCH OF IO.
2. US REP IN SECOND COMMITTEE HAS APPROACHED COMMITTEE'S CHAIRMAN, KARAM, INFORMALLY TO INQUIRE WHETHER IN VIEW OF THE LAPSED DEADLINE FOR SUBMISSION OF RESOLUTIONS UNDER THIS ITEM HE WOULD PERMIT THE TABLING OF THE SUBJECT RESOLUTION. IN PRINCIPLE, HE WAS SYMPATHETIC AND EXPRESSED THE OPINION THAT THE RESOLUTION WOULD NOT CREATE CONTROVERSY NOR BE ESPECIALLY TIME-CONSUMING. HE IS TO GIVE USUN HIS DEFINITE RESPONSE NOVEMBER 14 TO OUR QUESTION RE DEADLINE.
3. USUN WOULD APPRECIATE RECEIVING ASAP THE DEPT'S VIEWS ON THE APPROPRIATENESS OF TABLING THE RESOLUTION PRESUMING THAT COMMITTEE'S REGULATIONS WOULD ALLOW US TO DO SO.

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DRAFT RESOLUTION ON WOMEN AND DEVELOPMENT

THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY,

RECALLING THAT THE CENTRAL THEME OF INTERNATIONAL WOMEN'S YEAR AS PROCLAIMED BY THE UNITED NATIONS GENERAL ASSEMBLY RESOLUTION 3010 (XXVII) OF 18 DECEMBER, 1972 IS "EQUALITY, DEVELOPMENT AND PEACE;"

RECALLING FURTHER THAT GENERAL ASSEMBLY RESOLUTION 2626 (XXV) OF 24 OCTOBER, 1970 SETTING FORTH THE INTERNATIONAL DEVELOPMENT STRATEGY FOR THE SECOND DEVELOPMENT DECADE IS THE FIRST INSTRUMENT TO ASK FOR THE FULL INTEGRATION OF WOMEN IN DEVELOPMENT AND THAT INTERNATIONAL WOMEN'S YEAR IN 1975 IS THE MIDPOINT OF THE SECOND UNITED NATIONS DEVELOPMENT DECADE;

NOTING THAT THE PROGRAMME OF CONCERTED INTERNATIONAL ACTION FOR THE ADVANCEMENT OF WOMEN SET FORTH IN GENERAL ASSEMBLY RESOLUTION 2716 (XXV) OF 15 DECEMBER, 1970 INITIATED POLICY MEASURES TO BE TAKEN TOWARDS THE INTEGRATION OF WOMEN IN DEVELOPMENT, SETTING CLEAR TARGETS TO BE ACHIEVED DURING THE SECOND UNITED NATIONS DEVELOPMENT DECADE IN WOMEN'S EDUCATION, TRAINING AND EMPLOYMENT, HEALTH AND MATERNITY PROTECTION, AND ADMINISTRATION AND PUBLIC LIFE;

NOTING ALSO THAT THE ECONOMIC COMMISSION FOR AFRICA AND THE ECONOMIC AND SOCIAL COMMISSION FOR ASIAN AND THE PACIFIC HAVE ADOPTED PLANS OF ACTION ADDRESSED TO ALL GOVERNMENTS IN THEIR REGIONS REQUESTING THE ESTABLISHMENT OF REGION-WIDE PROGRAMMES TO FULL INTEGRATE WOMEN INTO ALL PHASES OF DEVELOPMENT;

KNOWING THAT THE POSITION OF WOMEN HAS SOMETIMES SUFFERED MARKED DETERIORATION AS A RESULT OF THE DEVELOPMENT PROCESS;

BELIEVING THAT THE FULL AND PRODUCTIVE USE OF HUMAN RESOURCES, MALE AND FEMALE, IS A KEY FACTOR IN THE SUCCESS OF ECONOMIC AND SOCIAL DEVELOPMENT;

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CONSIDERING THAT THE FULL INTEGRATION OF WOMEN IN DEVELOPMENT WILL REQUIRE POSITIVE ACTION FROM THE UNITED NATIONS SYSTEM OF ORGANIZATIONS;

1. CALLS ON THE EXECUTIVE HEADS OF THE SPECIALIZED AGENCIES AND THE UNITED NATIONS DEVELOPMENT PROGRAMME TO GIVE SPECIAL ATTENTION TO THOSE PROGRAMS, PROJECTS AND ACTIVITIES WHICH ENCOURAGE AND PROMOTE THE INTEGRATION

OF WOMEN INTO THE NATIONAL ECONOMIES OF MEMBER AND RECIPIENT STATES AND INTO PROFESSIONAL AND POLICY-MAKING POSITIONS WITHIN SUCH AGENCIES, THEREBY IMPROVING THE STATUS OF WOMEN AND ASSISTING THE TOTAL DEVELOPMENT EFFORT;

2. REQUESTS THE SPECIALIZED AGENCIES, THE UNITED NATIONS DEVELOPMENT PROGRAMME, AND ALL OTHER CONCERNED ORGANIZATIONS OF THE UNITED NATIONS SYSTEM TO GIVE SPECIFIC ATTENTION TO THE ROLE OF WOMEN IN THE PLANNING, DEVELOPMENT AND FUNDING OF ASSISTANCE PROJECTS;

3. REQUESTS THE SECRETARY-GENERAL TO MAKE AVAILABLE TO THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY AT ITS THIRTIETH SESSION, AND AT REGULAR INTERVALS THEREAFTER INFORMATION ON THE EXTENT TO WHICH WOMEN ARE PARTICIPATING IN, AND BENEFITTING FROM, PROGRAMMES SPONSORED BY THE UNITED NATIONS SYSTEM OF ORGANIZATIONS, MAKING SPECIFIC REFERENCES TO THE ALLOCATION OF FUNDS AND PERSONNEL TO THOSE PROJECTS AFFECTING WOMEN;

4. RECOMMENDS THAT THE MEMBER STATES INSTRUCT THEIR REPRESENTATIVES TO ALL CONCERNED ORGANIZATIONS WITHIN THE UNITED NATIONS SYSTEM TO REVIEW THE WORK AND PERSONNEL PROGRAMMES OF THESE ORGANIZATIONS AND TAKE NOTE OF THEIR IMPACT ON WOMEN IN DEVELOPMENT AND IN PROFESSIONAL AND POLICY-MAKING POSITIONS;

5. INVITES MEMBER STATES OF THE UNITED NATIONS OR OF SPECIALIZED AGENCIES AND ALL ORGANS AND AGENCIES WITHIN THE UNITED NATIONS SYSTEM TO CO-OPERATE IN IMPLEMENTING THE OBJECTIVES SET BY THIS RESOLUTION.
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